

ESTABLISHED 1861

FLOOD CLIMAX IS NOT YET REACHED IN SOUTH

TWO THOUSAND NOW OR MORE MAROONED

RUSSIANS BOMBARD CITY ON BLACK SEA

All without Food and with But Scant Shelter, Mostly Negro Plantation Workers.

WATER POURING OUT FAST
Large Territory is Covered with Water from Six to Fifteen Feet Deep Now.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 19.—Increased apprehension was felt today for the 2,000 or more persons marooned around Newellton without food and with scant shelter. Most of them are negro plantation workers unable to reach safety when the Mississippi river broke through the levee at the Buck Ridge plantation. The water is pouring through a 700-foot crevasse four miles and hour. A semi-circle with a radius of twenty-five miles is flooded from six to fifteen feet while beyond this another twenty-five miles is covered with water from a few inches to one and two feet.

The flood will not reach its climax for at least a week, authorities predict.

FRUITLESS ATTACK.

BERLIN, Feb. 19.—Another fruitless attack by the British south of Ypres, where the Germans recently captured several hundred yards of trenches, was announced today by the war office.

IMPATIENT NOW.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—State department officials are impatient at Great Britain's delay in replying to the recent American note concerning the trading with the enemy act and interference with mails. The London foreign office sometime ago promised a reply to the mail note but nothing has been heard of the American protest against enforcement of the act trading with the enemy act against American firms.

ACTION IS BROUGHT TO RECOVER APPAM

Which is in Hampton Roads As the War Prize of a German Crew Now.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—Attorneys for the British owners of the liner Appam in Hampton Roads as a prize of a German crew, have brought an admiralty proceeding under the prize laws to regain possession of the ship.

The state department holds that under the Prussian-American treaty the liner belongs to Germany as a prize, at least until a prize court passes upon the legality of its capture. The British embassy has contended the ship should be returned to its owners under a provision of The Hague convention.

Collector Hamilton at Norfolk reported to the treasury department that a representative of the United States marshal's office had appeared today with a federal court writ to serve on the Appam. The marshal had chartered a tug and with about thirty deputies on board left Norfolk to serve the writ.

STEAMER IS SEIZED BY DEPUTY MARSHAL

NORFOLK, Feb. 19.—Federal Judge Waddill issued the usual libel process today and the Appam was seized by a deputy United States marshal who went to Newport News on a tug for the purpose. Two guards from the office of the United States district court were left in charge of the Appam.

ELKINS VERY STRONG FOR JUDGE ROBINSON

And Shows That the Charges against Eminent Jurist Are Absurd and Silly.

GRAFTON, Feb. 19.—In an authorized statement former Senator Davis Elkins has again charged Judge Ira E. Robinson, characterizing him as the people's choice for governor. Judge Robinson's many qualifications for the governorship, so well known and generally conceded were set forth in detail by Mr. Elkins. The significant part, however, was where he touched upon the charge of Judge Robinson's opponents that the judge was "Hathfield's candidate." "Absurd and ridiculous," he characterized the "silly charge." "If Judge Robinson's opponents are depending on that sort of buncombe to defeat him, there isn't much then in the opposition to him," said Elkins. "That sort of stuff is more of an insult to

LAND OWNERS PAY.

(By Associated Press.)
EL PASO, Tex., Feb. 19.—The Carranza government, according to Moises Saenz, director of education in the state of Guanajuato, is compelling large land owners throughout Mexico to pay the principal cost of educating the rural population of the country. These land owners, Mr. Saenz stated, supplies text books and other requisites.

WARRANTS ISSUED

For the Arrest of a Man Who Obtained \$90,000 from Banks Fraudulently.

DETROIT, Feb. 19.—A warrant was issued today for the arrest of Joseph J. Haltin, of Detroit, charged with obtaining more than \$90,000 from Detroit banks by means of fraudulent representation. The complaint was signed by an officer of the Dime Savings Bank.

Haltin was president of the Michigan Ornamental Glass works, which failed about a year ago. It is alleged that he borrowed large sums of money from local banks by making alleged fraudulent statements concerning the condition of his company's business.

EMERGENCY MONEY.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—A \$2,750,000 emergency appropriation for immediate necessary repairs of machinery in battleships, torpedo destroyers and submarines to increase the supply of mines and for the first time to equip battleships with anti-aircraft guns was asked of Congress today by Secretary Daniels.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Marriage licenses have been issued to Russell Floyd Epperson and Anna Jones and Jess Scott and Gay Lewis, all colored.

EXCEPTIONS

Filed by Brewers' Attorneys Will Have No Effect on the Probe by Grand Jury.

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 19.—Attorneys for the brewing associations, whose alleged political activities are being investigated by a federal grand jury here, today filed exceptions to the ruling of Judge W. H. S. Thompson, yesterday in the district court that subpoenas already issued were not to be withdrawn. District Attorney Humes said this would not affect the action of the grand jury which has been dismissed until Monday when Hugh S. Fox, secretary of the United States Brewers Association, is expected to be the first witness.

NAME ORGANIZATION.

Life insurance underwriters held another meeting here Friday night and decided to call their new organization the Life Insurance Underwriters Association of Central West Virginia. Thirty-seven agents have enrolled and within a short time all in the central part of the state will be members. At an early date prominent national insurance men will address the association.

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public intelligence than it is damaging to Judge Robinson. The people who elected him to the highest court in the state did it because they knew that Judge Robinson could not be controlled in that position by political or other interests. They know he was the kind of a man to make a great judge and he amply justified their confidence. He will prove as governor just as he did as judge. This accusation by Judge Robinson's opponents is pure rot. You can't fool the people of West Virginia with that sort of a campaign. It is bound to fail.

"Besides," said Elkins, "he laughed as he said it, 'do you suppose if Judge Robinson was likely to be controlled by Hathfield or any other, I would be supporting him. Well, hardly. But I am for him first, last and all the time. He will be sweepingly nominated and elected.'"

STATE EXHIBIT

At the Panama-Pacific Exposition at San Francisco Pays Its Own Expenses.

West Virginia's agricultural exhibit at the Panama-Pacific exposition, though representing a gross expenditure of \$11,610.79, will cost the taxpayers of this state not more than \$7.20, according to a calculation made at the state department of agriculture.

On account of the great distance to San Francisco, the exposition city, it was deemed inadvisable to transport an exhibit of the usual kind across the continent, hence it was decided to present the products of the state in the form of moving pictures and over 25,000 feet of film was taken to illustrate West Virginia products scenery and manufacturing institutions.

Advertising space on the films was sold to West Virginia manufacturers and others desiring to obtain publicity through this medium, and for this the agricultural department has collected \$11,602.50, making the balance \$7.29. It is said that several thousand dollars may yet be collected, while the films have been returned intact for educational purposes.

CYANIDE

Of Potassium Was Poison That Killed Lake Forest High School Girl.

CHICAGO, Feb. 19.—Cyanide of potassium was the poison which killed Marian Frances Lambert, Lake Forest high school girl, according to a report made to the coroner today by Ralph C. Webster. Dr. Webster said the digestive organs showed no trace of an admixture of chemicals. The white crystals found under the finger nails of the girl were originally cyanide of potassium, he said.

Dr. Webster is analyzing crystals and other poisons found in an ice pile of the greenhouse at the home of Will H. Orpet, who is charged with the murder of Miss Lambert.

The contention of the state is that Orpet, who was a former admirer of Miss Lambert, made a secret tryd with her in the woods where her body was found and did not leave her until after she was dead.

JEWISH RELIEF

Fund is Sent to European War-ringing Countries to Amount of Nearly Three Million.

NEW YORK, Feb. 19.—Nearly \$2,900,000 has been sent from the United States for the relief of Jewish sufferers in Russia, Austria-Hungary, Poland, Palestine and other war-ridden areas, it was announced today by the joint distribution committee of Jewish relief fund. Of this amount, \$1,285,000 has gone to Russia, \$1,860,000 to Poland and Lithuania, \$610,000 to Austria-Hungary and \$142,000 to Palestine.

DYE PLANT

After an Explosion Which Shakes the Town Where Plant is Located.

PLAINFIELD, N. J., Feb. 19.—The plant of the Middlesex Aniline Chemical Company, said to be a German owned concern and one of the few plants manufacturing aniline dyes in this country, was destroyed by an explosion and fire today.

The entire town of Lincoln, where the plant was located, was shaken by the explosion, which occurred before the workmen had reported for duty. Two men, the only persons in the plant at the time, were badly injured. The explosion was caused, it was said, by acid running together in the mixing vats. The damage is estimated at \$50,000.

ONE ORDINARY DRINK ONLY IS TOLERATED.

(By Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, Feb. 19.—One drink of whiskey, beer or wine is held by City Corporation Counsel Samuel A. Ettleson to be a "reasonable amount" and Chief of Police Healey is expected to issue an order today to restaurants, where liquor is sold, limiting patrons to "one ordinary drink" after 1 o'clock a. m., the hour at which bar rooms are required to close.

In order to be within the law, the corporation counsel also holds that the drinks must be ordered before 1 o'clock but may be consumed after that hour.

MEN'S MEETINGS HOLD CENTER OF INTEREST DURING GREAT REVIVAL

Attendance on Sunday Afternoons in Methodist Church is without Precedent.

MASS MEETING TOMORROW

Confidently Expected That at Least Fifteen Hundred Men Will Be at Services.

The greatest religious revival in the history of the local First Methodist Episcopal church is still going on with interest unabated and results of a most gratifying and surprising nature.

The absence of Dr. Morrison has not lessened the interest in any sense and the work, which is now entirely in the hands of the pastor, Dr. King, is progressing wonderfully. While the meetings are announced as far ahead as Tuesday night, it is generally the accepted belief that they will continue a much greater period.

Dr. King's preaching here has won a multitude of admiring friends, and his plain, blunt manner of handling the common evils of the day is quite in keeping with the policy of the local Methodists. He sees no middle-point upon which to compromise and knows no halfway sinners. It is either good or bad and all else is hypocrisy. Such sermons are bound to win in the end as they are but common-sense viewings of the teachings of Christ.

The interest in men's meetings, or they are generally termed, "meetings for men only," has grown from service to service, until today there is a feeling in this vicinity that they should be adopted as a regular service of the church.

It is confidently expected that at least fifteen hundred men will be in attendance at the service tomorrow afternoon. It is remarkable indeed how few non-Christians there are among the men of this city, and another feature which is quite noticeable is the fact that there are but few left who have not come forward.

The meeting last night was one which, despite the extremely inclement weather, was well attended. The music was good and the deep religious spirit which prevailed made it one to be long remembered.

ELLIOT FUNERAL

Services Will Be Held at Church of Immaculate Conception Monday Morning.

Funeral services over the body of Mrs. Mary Elliott, aged 60 years, who was found dead in her home Thursday evening by William Elliott, a son, when he returned home from his day's work, will be held at 9 o'clock Monday morning at the church of the Immaculate Conception and the burial will be in the Holy Cross cemetery.

Friends wishing to see Mrs. Elliott may do so by calling at the Warner Undertaking Company's establishment on West Pike street any time before 9 o'clock Monday morning at which time the casket will be closed and the funeral party will go to the church.

CHICAGO URGED

By President Wilson to Lead Country in Preparing Red Cross for Work.

CHICAGO, Feb. 19.—President Wilson in a personal letter to A. A. Sprague, chairman of the Chicago chapter of the American Red Cross, made public today, urged Chicago to lead the country in preparing the Red Cross to care for sick and wounded in the event that the United States should become involved in a war.

The letter said in part: "In case of the misfortune of war the men who are prepared to give their lives for the defense of their country deserve to find the people they protect ready and prepared to care for the sick and wounded."

SIXTH GRADE FIVE WINS.

The sixth grade team of the St. Mary's school defeated the fifth grade team in a game of basketball played at 10 o'clock Saturday morning on the St. Mary's high school gymnasium floor by a score of 10 to 3.

ANNUAL SERMON.

The annual anniversary sermon for Clarksburg Lodge, No. 33, Knights of Pythias, will be delivered by the Rev. W. B. King at the First Methodist Episcopal church Sunday morning. All Knights of Pythias are requested to meet at the lodge room at 10:15 o'clock and march to the church in a body.

RUSSIANS BOMBARD CITY ON BLACK SEA

Mill of Justice Grinds Many Grist of Litigation Thrown into Its Busy Hopper.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMISSIONER

In the case of Curtis W. Davis against J. W. Hall and others was confirmed.

Final report was made in the case of Wilbur H. Shinn against Byron W. Shinn.

Report of special commissioner and administrator in the case of Sylvester R. Michael, administrator of Daffy D. Robinson, against Louisa C. Robinson and others, was confirmed.

A decree of sale was entered in the case of R. T. Williams against Columbus Husted and others.

Answers were filed in the case of the Doman Consolidated Oil and Gas Company against J. E. Doman and others.

Answer was filed in the case of Ross F. Stout, sheriff and so forth, against Ralph Broadway.

A motion to dissolve an injunction in the case of Russell V. Carter against Harrison W. Carter and the Reserve Gas Company was overruled.

A decree of sale was entered in the case of the Southern Pine Lumber Company against E. L. Ervin.

An order of reference was made in the case of the Empire National Bank against Isaac W. Semans and others.

An amended bill was filed in the case of Clayton M. Davis and others against Peoples Brothers and others.

Answer was filed in the case of Olive A. Willis and others against the Bridgeport Natural Oil and Gas Company.

Answer was filed in the case of the Traders Bank, of Buckhannon, against William A. Wilkinson and others.

An order disposing of exceptions to the commissioner's report was made in the case of Charles S. Parr against the Blue Ridge Coal Company.

CARD PLAYING

Theater-Going, Dancing and the Like Now Wanted by Methodists.

CHICAGO, Feb. 19.—Methodism's ban against dancing, card playing, theaters and the circus was bitterly assailed at the conference of the Union of American Methodism in session at Evanston.

Representatives of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, sounded a warning against the specific prohibition aimed at the doctrine of the Methodist Episcopal church of the North.

Professor Fitzgerald S. Parker, general secretary of the Epworth League, Nashville, Tenn.; Bishop Collins Jenny, of Nashville; and Professor Wilber F. Tillott, of Vanderbilt University, Nashville, joined in the warning against placing restrictions on Methodists.

Professor Parker pointed out that the Methodist Episcopal church, South, has adopted in its general rules new phrases eliminating the specific naming of the prohibited indulgences.

BANKS TO CLOSE.

Banks of the city will be closed all day Tuesday, February 22, in observance of Washington's birthday.

COMPLIMENT KING.

(By Associated Press.)
ATHENS, Feb. 19.—The officials of the chamber of deputies during an audience with King Constantine this morning complimented the king on the fact that acting under powers conferred on him by the constitution he had saved the country at a most critical juncture from the horrors of war. They expressed the hope that he would continue to work for the preservation of the resources of the nation.

RESIGNATION ACCEPTED.

(By Associated Press.)
PETROGRAD, Feb. 19.—George T. Marye, United States ambassador to Russia, has received notification from the state department at Washington that his resignation is accepted. He is requested, however, to remain at his post until the arrival of the new first secretary of the embassy, Fred M. Dearing, who is on his way here from Madrid.

SERIOUS FIRE

Breaks Out in a Cargo of Tallow Piled on a Dock and It is Still Spreading.

GENOA, Italy, Feb. 19.—A serious fire broke out in a cargo of tallow piled on a dock shortly after midnight and is still spreading. The entire fire department with detachments of soldiers, policemen and carabinieri assisting, was summoned to fight the flames.

It is suspected that the fire was incendiary. Shortly before it broke out, two persons, who had been acting suspiciously, were arrested. Their nationality has not been established.

STEAMSHIP ASHORE.

LONDON, Feb. 19.—The British steamship, Comrie Castle, of 5,173 tons, is ashore on a reef of bombasas, East Africa. Its passengers have been landed.

TO MAKE INQUIRY.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—An army investigation of Senator Robinson's charges that Lieutenant Colonel Reber, head of the aviation service had been conducting the aerial corps in an inefficient manner has been ordered by the war department. A board which includes the inspector general and the adjutant general of the army and the head of the war college will conduct the inquiry.

NEW MILLINERY PARLOR IN CITY

Will Be Opened Soon on Court Street by Mrs. Hill and Miss Dom.

Miss Margaret Dom, of Pittsburgh, and Mrs. J. D. Hill, of this city, have rented rooms on the first floor in the Williams building on Court street and will open millinery parlors with the date of the opening to be announced later.

Miss Dom has been in business in the city from which she comes for the last seven years and the business there will continue under the management of her sister, who will have charge of the Pittsburgh store and assist in the buying for the new millinery parlors to be started here. This will be a great advantage to the people of Clarksburg, inasmuch as the buyer in the city every day can keep in touch with every new idea and in this way be always up-to-date.

Miss Dom has been in New York the last two weeks making preparation for the opening of the new business here, and Mrs. Hill will join Sunday evening to assist in the buying. They will return the latter part of the week and announcement will be made as to the date of opening.

Mrs. Hill has lived in Clarksburg for the last year. Previous to coming here she was in the millinery business for nine years and she has recommendations from both retail and wholesale trade as being a woman who understands the business and who is untiring in her efforts to please. She has made many friends in this city, who will be glad to know of this new adventure in business. The Telegram cannot announce the name of the new firm, but understands it is to be a hat and gift shop. Fuller details will be given later, in which the public will be interested.

HARVESTER COMPANY INVESTIGATION BEGUN

Chicago National Bank to Be Called Upon to Show the Concern's Deposits.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—The Senate agricultural committee today decided to call upon the Continental and Commercial National Bank of Chicago to submit a statement showing the deposits of the National Harvester Company for the last three years in order to determine the truth of charges that the Harvester company had disciplined the Chicago bank for extending financial aid to the sisal growers of Yucatan.

The committee is investigating charges that the Harvester company combined to monopolize the sisal output and prevent independent twin dealers from obtaining raw materials and counter charges that the Pan-American Commission Corporation, of which Sol Wexler, a New York banker, was the head, financed a sisal monopoly with the idea of putting up the price to American merchants.

The committee has been told that the Pan-American corporation was not formed until the planters had been unable to make loans from independent bankers who refused because of alleged threats from the Harvester and Plymouth companies.

And as the Result the Turks Are Evacuating the City as Fast as They Can.

HUGE GERMAN MOVEMENT

Train with Artillery and Infantry Running Along Railroads to the West and South.

PETROGRAD, Feb. 19.—A telegram from Sebastopol reports the bombardment of Vitefu on the Black sea, fifteen miles east of Trebizond. The Turks are evacuating.

GERMAN TROOPS ARE MOVING IN BELGIUM

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 19.—During the last six days great German troop movements have occurred in south and central Belgium.

Long trains with artillery and infantry were running along the railroads to the west and south and some small detachments were transported by way of Louvain, Waverne and Gembloux to the southeast.

Louvain, the despatch adds, still is a strong point of support of German strategy and many conferences of high military officers are held there.

FRENCH STATEMENT OF WAR OPERATIONS

FEB. 19.—The report of hostilities issued by the French war office today reads as follows: "In the Artois district the Germans yesterday evening at a point to the north of Blangy delivered an unimportant attack, which was easily repulsed."

AN INFURIATED PRINCE ORDERS BOMBARDMENT

PETROGRAD, Feb. 19.—The semi-official news agency gives out the following: "Prince Oscar, fifth son of Emperor William, was wounded a few days ago while making an inspection in front of the Russian positions at Smorgan in the Minsk district, according to German prisoners. The prince was caught under the fire of Cossack rifles and he and some officers were wounded. "The prince, infuriated, ordered a bombardment of the Russian positions, which the Germans carried out for two hours."

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AXE MURDER

Is Revealed by Confession of a Woman to Police Department of Chicago.

CHICAGO, Feb. 19.—An axe murder planned so carefully that even the grave for the victim was dug before he was slain was revealed today, the police say, in a confession of Mrs. Teofil Odrowski.

According to the alleged confession, Tony Sandrovich, 55 years old, a farm hand employed near Benton Harbor, Mich., was slain for his money by repeated blows from an axe administered by Mrs. Odrowski's husband, Sandrovich's employer, and threw the body into it and left for Chicago.

According to the police the two men confessed when informed of Mrs. Odrowski's statement. It is said only \$55 was taken from Sandrovich.

TRACTION STRIKE

SPRINGFIELD, Mo., Feb. 19.—Street car service was at a standstill here today because of a strike of employees of the Springfield Traction Company, which had refused to recognize the union.